(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. As per extant policy, Urea is the only fertilizer which is under partial movement and distribution control of the Government of India *i.e.,* only 50% of the indigenous production is regulated under ECA. One of the reasons for less ECA to Madhya Pradesh is likely inflow of Non-ECA quantity of Urea from two units of NFL, Vijaipur located in Madhya Pradesh.

The gap between the assessed requirement and indigenous availability of Urea is bridged through ECA allocations from Urea imported on Government Account.

The availability of Urea in Madhya Pradesh during the month of April, 09 to June, 09 of current Kharif 2009 has been over and above the assessed requirement as follows:

(Qty. in '000' MT)

Months	Requirement	Availability	Sales
April '09	26.00	75.17	15.85
May '09	71.5	123.77	30.98
June '09	136.50	185.49	103.72

Revival of Madras Fertilizers Ltd.

737. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the financial restructuring proposal for the revival of Madras Fertilizers Limited (MFL) has been approved;

(b) what steps have been taken to produce NPK fertilizers in Madras Fertilizers Ltd., which is in great demand in southern part of India; and

(c) what steps have been taken to bring LNG to produce the fertilizer at cheaper rate in MFL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The company had appointed M/s. Deloitte Consultants for suggesting measures and road map for financial restructuring/ revival of the company. Based upon the report of the Consultant, MFL is finalizing a long term integrated plan to sustain its operations, utilize its unused or idle assets, and reduction in equity capital to reduce accumulated losses. The Government has recently approved amendment in the New Pricing Scheme-III for urea units which is expected to make urea operations of the company viable. The company may consider re-start of its NPK production depending upon the profitability of the operations.

Regarding supply of LNG to MFL, Department of Fertilizers has taken up the matter with Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas for early pipeline connectivity and availability of gas to enable conversion from Naphtha to gas. Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas has informed that the pipeline connectivity by RIL from Kakinada-Chennai is expected by December, 2011.